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DEADLINE FOR THE TWENTY-FOUR ISSUE . . . December 25

# THE MINT DIRECTOR'S PRONOUNCEMENTS: President's Message

Dear Members,

WHEW! Its all over! The 25th Annual Silver Jubilee Coin Show and Exposition has come and gone. All that was left that last Sunday evening was the mess; it looked like a cyclone had touched down and then the quiet. Ah, but the memories. Perky Florence Schook, ANA; pleasant and serious Stanley Clute, Canada's CNA; beautiful and serene Anna M. Cross de Torres, Mexico's SNM; amiable but intense Henry Fowler, ANS, ever efficient Wally Wallis, CSNA; only missing Lorna LeBold, NASC, who graiously sent a lenghty telegram wishing us well, and yours truly who just made a lot of noise. It was GREAT! We all hit it off well. Relief to have this Coin Show and Exposition behind us; yet, we wish that we could live it all over again.

It is difficult to attempt to thank all those who made our highly successful Coin Show and Exposition possible. Of course, the Presidents, the vivacious Beth Deisher of Coin World, and the articulate Clifford Mishler of Krause Publications were all a super treat. Ed Fulwider, Bill Fivaz, Cal Wilson, wonderful exhibitors, Stan Turrini, and David Lange, we thank for their support in the educational activities. Coin Show and Exposition workers—Lillian Hooker. Constance Perham, Stan Turrini, O. L. Wallis, Maxine Hopperstad, Elmer Benson, Ed Sins, Ron Miller, Thelma Krieg, and Brian Kestner—plus others who served wonderfully, we simply and sincerely 'thanks a million'. As a matter of fact, it anyone performed for our Coin Show and Exposition that I did not mention here or thank personally, then this special thank to them.

As for Michael S. alais 'Stan' Turrini, whose wonderful idea and effort made the extensive educational activities possible, thanks seems cheap, but here with all my heart, thanks!

Four were induced in our new Northern California Numismatic Association 'Hall of Fame': Milton Strauch, Roy Hill, Rudy Gjurovich, and Everett Higgins, all late Past Presidents of NCNA. Victor Titoff, late renowned exhibitor, was lauded for his contributions with the special Presidents Award accepted by his wife, Raisa.

Boy, was it great! If you weren't there--just too bad; if you were, you'll agree it was NCNA's finest hour. THANKS TO ONE AND ALL.

Yours Very Truly

Denis N. Hooker President

# THE MINTMASTER'S QUILL: An Editor's Prerogative

My Friends,

At the recent 1986 Coin Show and Exposition, Clifford Mishler, Publisher of Krause Publications' Numismatic News, bestowed upon your undeserving Editor two complements: first, that he did read and review NCNA Heads and Tales, making him the first person ever to state that he or she did read this poor effort at numismatic periodical, and second, that he admired and respected my "enthusiasm" (his word) for the coin hobby.

I am honored that Mr. Mishler would say such, and I thank him for his nice comments, at least someone does read NCNA Heads and Tales.

My 'enthusiasm', as some NCNAers know, is based on my firm conviction that our hobby has a fundamental purpose in the lives of us all: it is to bring people of a mutual interest together and increase fellowship among all of us thus leading in a small way to a much better world for us all.

Yes, I do believe such and am convinced that numismatics, the coin hobby, has personally benefitted me, not in money, but in friendship, good times, fond memories, increased knowledge, and a better of understanding of the world about us all.

However, I am angered at one point and that is the lack of reponse to my July Issue editorial on Ozzie Stout. Nothing, to my knowledge, has been initiated nor acted upon to petition, to nominate, or to proposed that Ozzie Stout be awarded Krause Publications' high honor, 'Numismatic Ambassador'.

I ask candidly have the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, Redwood Empire Coin Club, Napa Valley Coin Club, or the Vallejo Numismatic Society done something? Or have they? Is not their clear evidence of Ozzie's deserving this high Award? Is not, as the sunset begins, thi appropriate to do such? Do these coin clubs, other clubs, and all or us even care?

Like Cato of Ancient Rome and Lloyd Garrison of <u>The Liberator</u>, I will be <u>heard</u> and shall not cease through <u>NCNA Heads and Tales</u> and whatever else is available in my objective: 'Ozzie Stout, Numismatic Ambassador'.

In closing, to all those within NCNA, elsewhere, and the Presidents and speakers who made the recent Silver Jubilee 25th Annual Coin Show and Exposition, you all have my most humble thanks and may the blessings of Our Creator be with you all and your family today, tomorrow, and always. Thanks.

Wichael S. Furrini Editor (") GOLD MINER DIGGINGS: NCNA News and Happenings

#### Coin Club List

The Eighth Edition of this long-time NCNA support service to local coin clubs is enclosed. Use it and encourage others to do the same. As is always needed, any and all updated and current information on any local coin club, both listed and new ones, is sought by List Coordinator, O. L. Wallis. Additional copies may be obtained by contacting him also.

#### 1986 Election Results

The 1987 NCNA officers will be:

Denis Hooker, President Constance Perham, First Vice-President Ron Miller, Second Vice-President Robert Mish, Secretary Edward Sins, Treasurer

Note that there are two new names in the five executive positions, reflecting NCNA's growing attraction.

#### Board of Directors Meeting

The final 1987 Meeting will on November 30, 1986, 1:30pm, at the Cathedral Hill Hotel, Van Ness and Geary, San Francisco. As is always true, all NCNA Club Members are warmly encouraged and invited to send a voting Club Delegate.

# 1986 Coin Show and Exposition

Is now done. Attendance was good, averaging 2,000 per day, even on Sunday which is traditionally the slow closing day. Ron and Dennis Gillio's Fourth NCNA Auction was a success. The closing Sunday Youth Program with Ed Fulwider and ANA President Florence Schook was packed with both youngsters and adults. A nice Anniversary Banquet was held, and many honored and nationally known personalities attend.

However, attendance—the response from both coin hobbyists and the public—was poor at the educational activities. In retrospect and being candid, it was not worth the effort and time to invite, arrange, promote, and coordinate such educational activities of the four Educational Forum speakers and the important and provocative 'Numismatics Into 21st Century' forum, if attendance was so poor.

For those who attended the Coin Show and Exposition, it was well-worth the trip and time; for those who did not, you simply missed out.

# 1986 Coin Show and Exposition Exhibit Winners

Best-of-Show: Tom Walker, 'Silver Coins Through Ages'

First Places: Paul Holtzman, 'Numismatic Bird-Watching'

Gary Acquistapace, 'Eisenhower Dollar'

Edward Sins, 'Symbols On Our Dollar'

Second Places: David Foster, 'A Facet of Metal Collecting'

John Hoffman, 'History As Relected Through Coinage'

Brain Kestner, 'Susan B. Anthony Dollar'.

Two non-competitive exhibits were displayed: David Lange, a Educational Forum speaker, with his 'United States Territorial Coinage of Philippines' and Elmer Benson, Exhibit Coordinator, 'United States Patterns'.

NCNA thanks these winners and all exhibitors, some of whom who traveled distances to share their hobby interest.

#### Honored Guests

NCNA, and your Editor particularly, wishes to thank publicly these individuals for their contributions to the recent 1986 Silver Jubilee 25th Annual Coin Show and Exposition:

# Presidents

Florence M. Schook, American Numismatic Association Harry W. Fowler, American Numismatic Society Anna M. Cross de Torres, Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico Stanley Clute, Canadian Numismatic Association O. L. Wallis, California State Numismatic Association

#### Speakers

David W. Lange, Educational Forum
Edgar Fulwider, Educational Forum plus Youth Program
Bill Fivaz, Educational Forum
Calvin O. Wilson, Educational Forum
Clifford Mishler, MC for Anniversary Banquet
Beth Deisher, Moderator for 'Numismatics Into 21st Century' forum

NNCA certainly appreciates their willingness to travel and give of their time in being part of our celebration of our <u>first</u> quarter century. Regradless of the poor response in the form of attendance at various activities, these Honored Guests graced and enhanced the now passed 1986 Silver Jubilee 25th Annual Coin Show and Exposition.

#### 1987 Coin Show and Exposition

Has had its dates changed and confirmed to September 30th, October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, 1987, Thursday through Sunday. The four day event, as usual, will be held at the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco. No theme for this 26th Annual Coin Show and Exposition has been selected. Details will be reported in future Issues of NCNA Heads and Tales.

#### New NCNA Bourse Coordinator

With the closed of the 1986 Coin Show and Exposition, Ron Miller, newly elected Second Vice-President, has become NCNA's new Bourse Coordinator, succeeding Denis Hooker, who has stepped down to give more time to his extensive business involvements and due to his pending retirement.

Ron Miller, well-known Fremont Coin Club activist, is a nationally prominent coin dealer who does forty to fifty coin club coin shows throughout the western United States each year.

Ron Miller, who has also become a regular speaker at Bay Area coin clubs and is a authority on United States coinage, is owner of Fremont Coin Gallery. He may be reached at:

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Denis Hooker served as Bourse Coordinator since 1969; previous Bourse Coordinators were: Wendell Hooker, Aldo Basso, and Bud Grimes.

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PROOF STRIKES: Special Recognitions

# Monumental NCNA History Compiled and Written

Your Editor publicly commends and praises Treasurer Edward Sins for his work, numerous hours of labor, for the 25th Anniversary Program. Each NCNA member last August should have received a complimentary copy. It will prove to be a treasured memento of NCNA's first guarter century.

# Victor Titoff's Presidents Award

As a singularly unique award, President Denis Hooker at the September 27th Anniversary Banquet presented the late Victor Titoff's widow, Raisa, the Presidents Award, representing an honor from the six Presidents of the 'Numismatics Into 21st Century' forum.

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# BRANCH MINT REPORTS: Club Happenings

Have been receiving bulletins, newsletters, or news releases from these Coin Clubs:

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society Diablo Numismatic Society San Francisco Coin Club Fairfield Coin Club Southeastern Sierra Coin Club Los Gatos Coin Club Reno Coin Club Sacramento Valley Coin Club Redwood Empire Coin Club Napa Valley Coin Club Fresno Numismatic Society Peninsula Coin Club Delta Coin Club Gateway Coin Club Fremont Coin Club Cupertino Coin Club Vallejo Numismatic Society

- Pacific Coast Numismatic Society The western United States' oldest and most honored local numismatic group. Recent PCNS meeting activities have been: PAUL HOLTZMAN, July 30th, 'Numismatics of Galapagos', KEN BAUER, August 27th, 'Civil War Tokens', and September 24th, video of Ellis Island titled "An Island Called Ellis". October 25th, Sunday, is the date for PCNS' Member Auction with over 250+ lots submitted.
- Diablo Numismatic Society Meetings have been cancelled, missed, and interrupted by construction at its regular meeting location, Citicorp Savings, 1910 Tice Valley Road, Walnut Creek. Should be back on track soon. Sad news comes from the DNS, the passing of its beloved member and supporter, CHUCK REICHOFF, last August 12th. KARL MANTHEI and STAN TURRINI improvised around the construction to hold the DNS' First Annual Picnic last July 17th.
- San Francisco Coin Club Recent meeting activities have been: July 22nd, DON BARSI, talk on Silver Rounds, August 26th, "FRED LUTJENS TRIBUTE", a dedication and celebration to beloved SFCC long-time activist FRED LUTJENS, and September 23rd, OTHER HOBBIES NITE; no list of participants at this last meeting has been received as this Issue goes to the printer.
- Fairfield Coin Club Had your Editor showing his slides on the Liberty First Striking Ceremony at its September 24th meeting. FCC has just issued its <u>first</u> silver club medal, commemorating its 13th 'Lucky 13' Anniversary.
- Southeastern Sierra Coin Club Is much appreicated by your Editor for its heavy and extensive promotion of the recent NCNA Coin Show and Exposition. SSCC always has strange stuff in its Newsletter,

as a listing of Australian expressions: "Billie is the pot or pail you hang over your campfire for tea".

- Los Gatos Coin Club Meeting location will be changed. Interested coin collectors in the Los Gatos area may contact the LGCC via "PO Box 5075, San Jose, CA, 95150".
- Reno Coin Club Is proud to report that its four page monthly Newsletter has won Honorable Mention in the recent ANA Coin Club Publications Award. Your Editor extends his congratulations to its
  fine Editor DOUGLAS MCDONALD. MCDONALD was also honored as Outstanding Club Representative, his nomination being made by current
  RCC President JIM MELICK. April 19, 1987 will be the date of the
  RCC's Third Annual Reno Coin Show, McKinley Park Recreation Center,
  Riveside and Keystone Street, Reno, Nevada. For information, contact: "RCC, PO Box 10791, Reno, Nevada, 89510".
- Sacramento Valley Coin Club Has moved its semi-monthly meeting locations to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District Complex, 5026 Don Julio Way, North Highlands, near the intersection of I-80 and Eckhorn Blvd. The SVCC continues to meet on the Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. Its meetings have a lively array of speakers, dealers, auction, drawings, etc.
- Redwood Empire Coin Club Has relocated and changed its meeting to the Orchard Community Clubhouse, 1945 Piner Road, Santa Rosa with meetings now of the first Wednesday of each month.
- Notes Editor GENE FEIERSTEIN to speak from the September Issue:

  "Why do YOU belong to the club in the first place? If this upsets YOU, you're probably one of the members this is aimed at. What are YOU going to do about it? How about sharing your numismatic interests with the rest of us. Bring part of your collection to a meeting. Suggest topics you would like to hear more about. We're a coin club. Let's get back to talking about coins".
- Fresno Numismatic Society June meeting was the FNS' annual Other
  Hobbies Night. Your Editor will let The Fresno Numismatist Editor
  JOHN PETERS report: "LOREN GAITHER brought political buttons and
  'old' postmarks. ANDY KOSIERIS brought his stamp collection.

  DENNIS OLSWANG brought commemorative spoons from the Worlds Fair.
  TINA HASSON brought Japanese paintings. Another good program
  worthy of mention was presented by our President DICK BEIR as he
  changed a flat tire in front of the clubhouse in 100 degree weather".
- Peninsula Coin Club Will hold its Seventh Annual Coin Show this November 9th, Sunday, at Hyatt Palo Alto, 4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. The PCC's mailing address is: "PO Box 915, Palo Alto, CA, 94302".
- Delta Coin Club Has copied an idea from the Vallejo Numismatic Society, and its flatters the Vallejo group and particularly your Editor whose idea it was. SYD KASS, DCC's Newsletter Editor, reports on

the June 22nd Annual Picnic: "We didn't use hard-boiled eggs in the egg toss game but at times it sure appeared to be the case. Our new champs were Mr. & Mrs. SAM ABID to oust SHIRLEY and FRANK ENZMINGER from their usual championship title the past several years".

Gateway Coin Club Has mailed only two of its Newsletters, the last
Issue being in July. GCC activities have been: July 3rd, financial
talk by Paine-Webber representative, July 17th, Buy-Sell-Trade
Nite, August 7th, Auction, and August 21st, Bingo.

Fremont Coin Club Exhibit winners at its August 17th Coin Show were:

Best-of-Show, GARY ACQUISTAPACE, Eisenhower Dollars, First Place,
GLEN JACOB, Canada Centennial 1867-1967, Second Place, BILL
BROMLEY, Racketeer Nickel, Third Place, CAL WILSON, Medals of
American Numismatic Association, and Junior First Place, GEOFF
GREEN, Jefferson Coinage. The long-planned August 12th Statue of
Liberty Super Raffle brought a record attendance and over \$800.00
in ticket sales; the prized three piece set was won by RON
DEDASCALOU, whose ticket was purchased in absentia.

Cupertino Coin Club Recent speakers have been: PHIL SOLOMON, August 1st, 'Mexican Coinage', DON BARSI, September 5th, 'Silver Rounds', and GARY ACQUISTAPACE, October 3rd, 'South American Numismatics'. Your Editor would like to know why Coin Press Editor AL LO is nicknamed 'Always Burns' and 'African Hot Dogs'?

Vallejo Numismatic Society Reports its next big event will be on April 26, 1987, Sunday, with the Fifteen Annual Vallejo Coin Show, hours 9:00am to 5:00pm, Dan Foley Cultural Center, Dan Foley Park, Tuolumne Street, Vallejo. The one day Coin Show will have a forty plus table Bourse, Educational Activities, Displays, Youth Table, Half-Hour Drawings, and a fifteen Gold Coin Drawing with a \$20.00 Double Eagle as First Prize.

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The Award, posthumously bestow upon Victor, was NCNA's final tribute to his renowed and award winning exhibiting throughout California.

A quiet, but equally eloquent tribute, was done by Treasuer Edward Sins who provided a blank draped exhibit space as the exhibit area in memory to Victor Titoff, Exhibitor Extraordinary.

POSTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Branch Mint Reports

As was read, the Branch Mint Reports are short and brief this Issue. Simply stated, too little time and too much to do. Your Editor regrets this, but as is often forgotten, <u>NCNA Heads and Tales</u> is a one-man operation from start to finish. Hopefully, future Issues will attempt to accent certain coin clubs and report completely as possible on as many coin clubs as possible.

Your Editor has not received any correspondence from these two coin clubs:

San Jose Coin Club Liberty Numismatic Society

Have each ended their periodicals or dropped NCNA Heads and Tales from mailings?